10/590480

Patent

Attorney's Docket No. 1011350-000380 IAP12 Rec'd PCT/PTU 2.4 AUG 2006 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| n re Patent Application of | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Mari MASANAGA et al. | Group Art Unit: |
| Application No.: Unassigned | Examiner: |
| Filed: August 24, 2006 | Confirmation No.: |
| For: ADDITIVE FOR HYDRAULIC MATERIAL |)) |

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned patent application, kindly amend the application as follows.

Preliminary Amendment
Application No. <u>Unassigned</u>
Attorney's Docket No. <u>1011350-000380</u>
Page 2

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract: